IZHAR UDEEN

Definition of the two words IZH-HAAR and DEEN from the understanding of the Quran and Sunnah as follows:

IZH-HAAR (ظهر): means = *he made apparent; clear; obvious; superior;*dominant

DEEN: means = Complete way of life

Having a look at these definitions, when we talk about IZHHAAR UDDEEN, we are talking about making the way of life of Islam more apparent and dominant over all other ways of life.

In other words, IZH-HAAR UD-DEEN is the total domination and rule of the Earth by the Deen of Allah (سبحانه وتعالى). Although this concept may be unusual to us Muslims in this era, this is actually from the basics of our Deen.

Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) said:

It is He Who has sent His Messenger with guidance and the religion of truth, to make it superior over all religions even though the Mushrikun hate (it) (Surah At Tawbah 9:33)

Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) said:

He it is Who has sent His Messenger with guidance and the religion of truth, that He may make it superior to all religions. And All-Sufficient is Allah as a Witness.

(Surah Al Fath 48:28)

Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) said:

He it is Who has sent His Messenger with guidance and the religion of truth to make it victorious over all religions even though the Mushrikun hate (it). (Surah As Saff 61:9)

It is common knowledge that when Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) sends Prophets, they are sent to establish Allah's authority so that the people can submit to that authority.

The difference between Muhammad (صلى الله عليه و سلم) and other Prophets is that previous Prophets were sent to specific places and localities whereas the Messenger Muhammad (صلى الله عليه و سلم) was sent for the whole of Mankind.

The Prophet Muhammad (صلى الله عليه و سلم) said:

'Each Messenger was sent to his own nation. I was sent to all of Mankind' (Saheeh Bukharee)

Allah (سبحانه وتعالى) sent the Prophet Muhammad (صلى الله عليه و سلم) to establish the religion of Islam over all other religions and he was sent for the whole of Mankind.

The Prophet Muhammad (صلى الله عليه و سلم) said:

'Allah showed me the earth and I looked at the east and the west. The authority of my Ummah will reach everywhere I was shown' (Muslim, Vol 8, Page 171 & Abu Daawood 4252]

The Prophet Muhammad (صلى الله عليه و سلم) said:

This affair will reach what is reached by the night and the day; and Allah will not leave a dwelling of brick, nor fur, except that Allah will cause this Deen to enter it - bringing honor or humiliation. Honor which Allah gives to Islam and humiliation which Allah will give to disbelief.'
(Musnad Imam Ahmad, Vol 4, Page 103 & Ibn Hibban 1631)

It is true that the authority to implement the Deen of Islam over the lands was given to the Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم) and the Sahabah (رضي الله عنه), but what is promised in the Ayats and Ahadith is the authority over the whole world to implement Islam.

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه و سلم) and Muslims in the previous generations had authority already should not make us think that Muslims in current generations would never be granted this privilege.

The Prophet Muhammad (صلى الله عليه و سلم) said:

'Prophethood will remain amongst you for as long as Allah wishes it to, then Allah will raise it up when He wishes to raise it up.

Then there will be Khilafah upon the manner of Prophethood and it will remain amongst you for as long as Allah wishes it to, then Allah will raise it up when He wishes to raise it up.

Then there will be harsh kingship which will remain amongst you for as long as Allah wishes it to, then Allah will raise it up when He wishes to raise it up.

Then there will be tyrannical kingship and it will remain amongst you for as long as Allah wishes it to, then will raise it up when He wishes to raise it up.

Then there will be Khilafah upon the manner of Prophethood.' (Musnad Iman Ahmad, Vol 4, Page 273)

Observing our current reality, we find that it is very close to the last parts of the Hadeeth as we find tyrannical rulers everywhere around the world.

Hence, Insha`Allah, the ruling by Allah's Deen [Khilafah] would be the next phase to be witnessed by mankind.

In conclusion, from these Ayats and Ahadith, it should be well established in our minds that there is such a concept in Islam called IZH-HAAR UD-DEEN; to establish the Islamic way of life throughout the whole earth.

This is a matter which is well established by clear-cut, unambiguous text and is a matter which is known in the Deen by necessity. Hence anyone who rejects this concept is in danger of falling into Kufr.

This goal should be the desire of every single Muslim and should be the objective and in the agenda of every single Islamic Jamaat working for the cause and revival of Islam and Muslims as this was the agenda of the Messenger Muhammad (صلى الله عليه و سلم) and the Sahabah (رضي الله عنه).